

## EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. DAVE CAMP**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Mr. CAMP. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. Details of these projects are:

\$496,000 for the Clare County Transit Corporation, located at 4175 North Clare Avenue, Harrison Michigan 48625, from the Federal Transit Administration's Buses and Bus Facilities account for the purpose of completing a new multi-modal transportation facility to house administration, operations and maintenance.

\$300,000 for the Roscommon County Transportation Authority, located at 2665 South Townline Road, Prudenville, Michigan 48651, from the Federal Transit Administration's Buses and Bus Facilities account for the purpose of replacing up to fifteen replacement buses.

\$250,000 for the Big Rapids Dial-A-Ride Public Transportation, located at 226 North Michigan Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307, from the Federal Transit Administration's Buses and Bus Facilities account for the purpose of replacing up to seven medium duty buses.

\$203,000 for the County Connection of Midland located at, 883 East Isabella Road, Midland, Michigan 48640, from the Federal Transit Administration's Buses and Bus Facilities account for the purpose of replacing up to three gas cutaway buses with lifts and up to three diesel cutaway buses with lifts.

The Clare bus facility is a project that began in 2005 and I helped to secure \$560,000 for this facility. This funding for Clare is the final piece in the long process of building their new facility.

With regards to the bus funding, the State of Michigan has struggled to balance its budget which has led to many cuts in transportation and infrastructure funding. This, coupled with an aging bus fleet and high energy costs, threatens to limit the mobility of seniors, the disabled, and students living in rural areas. The bus funding in this bill will provide important relief to various transit agencies so they may begin to replace their aging fleets and continue to serve rural America. For these reasons, this funding is a wise and responsible expenditure of taxpayer dollars.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE HONORABLE G.J. ROARK III UPON HIS RETIREMENT

**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Honorable G.J. Roark III, a community leader who is retiring after over twenty years as an Escambia County, Florida judge. Judge Roark spent his ca-

reer serving Northwest Florida and our country, and I am proud to honor his dedication and service.

After graduating from the University of Mississippi in 1969, Judge Roark joined the U.S. Navy as an intelligence officer. He remained on active duty until 1973 and then went on to earn his law degree from the University of Florida in 1976. Judge Roark returned to the Navy as a reservist in 1978 while maintaining his full-time career as an attorney. In 1988, he was appointed County Judge for Escambia, where he has served since. As County Judge, he has served as the Emergency Coordinating Officer and Chair of the Court Emergency Management Group. He was also the Founder and Chair of the Escambia County Court Security Committee and served on the Escambia County Law Library Board.

In addition to his judicial duties, Judge Roark continued his service in the U.S. Navy Reserve. He has operated as a counter-intelligence officer across the world, traveling to Panama, Italy, Bahrain, and Iceland in defense of the U.S. From 1986 through 1995 he was a Naval Criminal Investigative Service Agent. Judge Roark's accomplishments as a reserve officer led to his selection as Commanding Officer of NCIS Unit 2182 in New Orleans and NCIS Unit 2010 in Pensacola. He is also the former Commanding Officer of the Defense Intelligence Agency Headquarters Unit 1482 in New Orleans. In 1999, Judge Roark's command was named Unit of the Year for Reserve Intelligence Area 3.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am privileged to recognize G.J. Roark for his lifetime of service to Northwest Florida and to the United States. The Florida judicial system will miss this admirable and principled Northwest Florida leader. My wife Vicki and I wish all the best for him and his family they embark on this next journey in their lives.

## EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. ROB BISHOP**

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP

Bill number: H.R. 3288

Account: Capitol Investment Grants

Legal name and address of requesting entity: Utah Transit Authority, 3600 South 700 West, SLC, UT 84130

Description of project: \$80,000,000 to build a 44 mile long commuter rail line running from downtown SLC to Weber County via the cities of Woods Cross, Farmington, Layton, Clearfield, Roy, Ogden, and Pleasant View.

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP

Bill number: H.R. 3288

Account: Airport Improvement Program

Legal name and address of requesting entity: Ogden-Hinckley Airport, 2549 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT 84401

Description of project: \$500,000 will be used for utilities infrastructure, construction of a maintenance hangar, and runway repairs.

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP

Bill number: H.R. 3288

Account: Alternatives Analysis

Legal name and address of requesting entity: Salt Lake City, 451 South State Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84111

Description of project: \$360,000 to fund an alternative analysis under USC 49 section 5339 on a corridor from SLC to Centerville.

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP

Bill number: H.R. 3288

Account: Buses and Bus Facilities

Legal name and address of requesting entity: Cache Valley Transit District, 754 West 600 North, Logan, UT 84321

Description of project: \$500,000 to expand the maintenance facility, storage areas, parking facility, administration building and transit hub.

## EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

I received one project in H.R. 3288.

\$750,000 for the Lake County Board of Commissioners located at 315 West Main St., P.O. Box 7800, Tavares, FL 32778. This funding is for the replacement of the Lakeshore Drive/Palatlakaha Bridge located over the Palatlakaha River at Lake Minnehaha in Lake County. It is a reinforced concrete structure, 185 feet long in five spans, and constructed in 1962. The bridge is functionally obsolete with two 12 foot travel lanes and no walkways or bicycle facilities.

The replacement of the Lakeshore Drive/Palatlakaha Bridge will improve the safety of movement of goods. Additionally, it will enhance and create economic benefits in the terms of movement of goods and services on Lakeshore Drive by allowing improved access to US 27, which is a Strategic Intermodal System. The project will also enhance the evacuation routes in and out of the Central Florida Region.

## EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. JOHN M. McHUGH**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Mr. McHUGH. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3293—Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN McHUGH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: HRSA: Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: E.J. Noble Hospital

Address of Requesting Entity: 77 West Barney Street, Gouverneur, NY 13642

Description: The purpose of this earmark is to provide \$350,000 for the upgrade and modernization of the medical and surgical facilities at E.J. Noble Hospital. These antiquated facilities have not been upgraded since 1952.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN MCHUGH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: HRSA: Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Northern Oswego County Health Services, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 61 Delano Street, Pulaski, NY 13142

Description: The purpose of this earmark is to provide \$150,000 for the expansion of existing primary dental care facilities at Northern Oswego County Health Services, Inc. (NOCHSI) to expand service to its medically underserved population.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN MCHUGH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Department of Education: National Projects

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Reach Out and Read National Center

Address of Requesting Entity: 56 Roland Street, Boston, NY 02129

Description: The purpose of this earmark is to provide \$4,965,000 for the Reach Out and Read (ROR) national program that promotes literacy and language development in infants and young children, targeting disadvantaged and poor children and families.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN MCHUGH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Department of Education: National Projects

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Reading is Fundamental

Address of Requesting Entity: 1825 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20009

Description: The purpose of this earmark is to provide \$24,803,000 to the Reading is Fundamental program designed to enhance child literacy by providing millions of underserved children with free books for personal ownership and reading encouragement from the more than 18,000 locations.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. J. RANDY FORBES

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. FORBES. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Chesterfield County, Virginia

Address of Requesting Entity: 9901 Lori Rd., Chesterfield, Virginia 23832 USA

Description of Request: Provides \$750,000 to construct a new interchange at I-295 and Meadowville Road which will enhance economic development opportunities for the region and help relieve local roads of the additional traffic generated.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Economic Development Initiatives

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Chesapeake, Virginia

Address of Requesting Entity: 306 Cedar Rd., Chesapeake, Virginia 23322 USA

Description of Request: Provides \$250,000 to construct a museum/visitor center and historic park to commemorate the Battle of Great Bridge, the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal and the Dismal Swamp Canal and the growth of commerce in Hampton Roads.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Economic Development Initiatives

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Suffolk, Virginia

Address of Requesting Entity: 524 N. Main St., Suffolk, Virginia 23434 USA

Description of Request: Provides \$200,000 to design and construct the Dismal Swamp Interpretive Center within the new Suffolk Visitor Center.

#### EXPRESSING APPRECIATION OF CANADIAN FRIENDSHIP AND CO- OPERATION

SPEECH OF

### HON. CANDICE S. MILLER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2009

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of H. Res. 519, Expressing appreciation to the people and Government of Canada for their long history of friendship and cooperation and congratulating Canada as it celebrates Canada Day. I'm proud to be an original cosponsor of this resolution, and I'd like to thank my good friend BART STUPAK for offering it.

On July 1st, 1867 with the enactment of the British North America Act, Canada was united as a single country. Over the next 142 years, Canada has become one of our closest friends, our largest trading partner and a steadfast ally.

And in the wake of 9/11, Canada has been a stalwart partner, sending troops to Afghanistan as part of the NATO coalition. They have stood shoulder to shoulder with us as we conduct our difficult mission to rid Afghanistan of the Taliban and give the Afghans hope for a life free from tyranny and repression.

Our Canadian friends have been vital as we work to secure the homeland on our shared waterways and long land borders. Cooperation is the key to securing the homeland along the Northern Border, and I'm pleased to say that we have a great partner in Canada.

In southeast Michigan, cross-border communities symbolize the relationship we share with our Canadian neighbors. Detroit, Michigan and Windsor, Ontario jointly celebrate Canada Day

and the United States' Independence Day with the International River Days.

This festival lasts several weeks, culminating in one of the largest and most spectacular fireworks displays in North America.

I want to wish our neighbors and friends in Canada a happy and prosperous Canada Day.

I urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. ZACH WAMP

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. WAMP. Madam Speaker, as a leader on earmark reform, I am committed to protecting taxpayers' money and providing greater transparency and a fully accountable process. H.R. 3288, The Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act contains the following funding that I requested:

Requesting Member: Representative ZACH WAMP

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Chattanooga's Enterprise Center

Address: 1250 Market Street, Suite 3020, Chattanooga, TN 37402

Description of Request: The City of Chattanooga's Enterprise Center requested funding to complete a feasibility study approved by Congress for a high speed maglev train between Atlanta, Chattanooga and Nashville. Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson Airport is the nation's busiest airport. A maglev train will relieve tremendous congestion in the Atlanta metro area and serve as part of a long needed "intermodal mass transit system" for the United States. Federal funding is needed for additional engineering work and development of a detailed financial plan, to include the number of riders and expected profits. The corridor is recommended by the State of Georgia's Joint Study Committee on Transportation Funding. The City of Chattanooga's Enterprise Center received \$750,000 to complete this study.

Distribution of funding: Salaries, wages, benefits and taxes, 23.85%; Professional Fee/Contractors, 56%; Office Supplies and maintenance, 4.65%; Travel/Conferences and Meetings, 9.07%; Indirect Costs, 6.43%

Requesting Member: Representative ZACH WAMP

Account: Interstate Maintenance Discretionary

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Cleveland

Address: 190 Church Street NE, Cleveland, TN 37311

Description of Request: The Cleveland Mayor and City Council requested funding to redesign and construct Exit 20 on Interstate 75 to eliminate a dangerous bottleneck of traffic and widen a narrow bridge. This exit is the gateway to the Tri-State Exhibition Center, the Ocoee Recreation Region and the Cherokee National Forest, and is often excessively congested and unsafe for vehicles. A new exit and widened bridge will improve safety for travelers, truck drivers and community residents. The redesign will also facilitate new industrial and commercial growth in the area.